

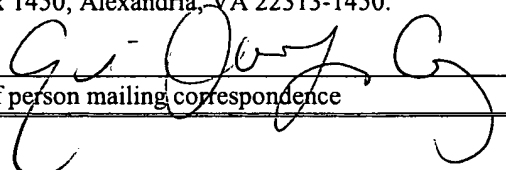
PATENT  
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 50026/060001

Certificate of Mailing: Date of Deposit: July 17, 2006 Label Number: EV 920803289 US

I hereby certify under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as **Express Mail Post Office to Addressee** with sufficient postage on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Elvis De La Cruz

Printed name of person mailing correspondence

  
Signature of person mailing correspondence

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

|               |   |                   |                  |
|---------------|---|-------------------|------------------|
| Applicant:    | Akihiro IIDA et al.   | Confirmation No.: | Not Yet Assigned |
| Serial No.:   | Not Yet Assigned  | Art Unit:         | Not Yet Assigned |
| Filed:        | July 17, 2006   | Examiner:         | Not Yet Assigned |
| Customer No.: | 21559   |                   |                  |
| Title:        | METHODS FOR PRODUCING MINUS-STRAND RNA VIRAL VECTORS USING HYBRID PROMOTER COMPRISING CYTOMEGALOVIRUS ENHANCER AND CHICKEN $\beta$ -ACTIN PROMOTER (AS AMENDED) |                   |                  |

Mail Stop PCT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-captioned application, kindly amend the application as follows. Please note that all page and line number references in the present amendment refer to the concurrently filed English language translation of International Application No. PCT/JP2005/000705, of which the above-captioned application is the U.S. National Stage.